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David J. Cocke Appointed to the Board of Commissioners of the Tennessee Human Rights Commission

(NASHVILLE, Tenn., June, 2007) – David J. Cocke has been appointed to the Board of Commissioners of the Tennessee Human Rights Commission, a state agency charged with safeguarding Tennesseans from discrimination on the basis of race, creed, color, religion, sex, disability, age (over 40), national origin, or familial status in the areas of employment, housing and public accommodations.

David Cocke is an attorney with the Bogatin Law Firm, PLC in Memphis, Tennessee where he practices in the areas of Commercial Litigation; Bankruptcy Law; and Health Law.

"It's a pleasure to have David Cocke join the Board of Commissioners. I appreciate his commitment of his time and energy to serve on this Board," said Spencer Wiggins, Chairman of the Board.

Cocke earned his Baccalaureate from Yale University (1967) and earned his Juris Doctorate from Harvard University. Cocke served as law clerk to the Honorable Robert M. McRae, Jr. U.S. District Judge, Western District of Tennessee (1973-1974). He served as Chairman of the Shelby County Democratic Party (1987-1989; 1999-2001) and is a member of the Memphis and American Bar Associations.

For more information on the THRC, its role, policies or the laws that govern the agency, call 1-800-325-9664 or visit the agency's website at www.tn.gov/humanrights.